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SHERIFF'S MESSAGE

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Greetings,

...and welcome to this new edition of the Common Ground Newsletter. This issue brings together some of the recent achievements and milestones that reflect our Department's hard work, leadership, and professionalism.

We are proud to highlight the commendable work of our Metro North SWAT Team, which Revere City Councilwoman Michele Kelly recently recognized with City Citations for its bravery during a series of high-risk operations.

In addition, I bring you our most recent entry of "The Intersection," titled, "Breakfast for Brothers: How Breaking Bread Can Build Belonging," in our new collaboration with The State Bay Banner. If you are interested in reading The Intersection with Sheriff Tompkins, visit, <https://bay-statebanner.com/>

Additionally, we had an important moment for our Department with the graduation of COTA Class 25-01. I had the privilege of swearing in twenty-five new officers at the ceremony who are now beginning their careers with the values of service and integrity as their priorities. Likewise, we congratulate the recent graduates of the Choice Officer Training Program, who will play a key role in our continued efforts to engage and mentor young people throughout Suffolk County.

Furthermore, we highlight our recent Correctional Officers and Employees Week celebration, recognizing our esteemed personnel's efforts and hard work.

This issue also pays tribute to those recently promoted to the rank of captain, including Captain Sean Clark, Captain Keith Medeiros, Captain Sharon Corbin, and Captain Lester Licon. Their leadership and commitment have earned them this well-deserved recognition.

As always, we bring you insights from our "Around Suffolk County" section and the latest recognition for our Officers of the Month, which highlights the daily impact our personnel has on those we serve.

I hope that you'll enjoy reading these and other stories in this issue, and I look forward to bringing you more insight and information about the form and functions of the Department in the issues to come.

~Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins

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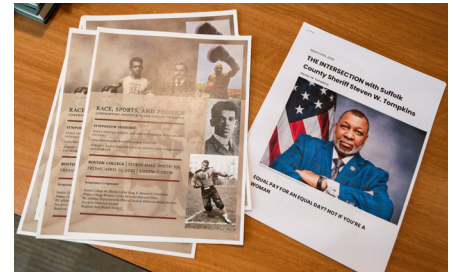
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SHERIFF TOMPKINS OPENS BOSTON COLLEGE SYMPOSIUM ON RACE, SPORTS, AND POLITICS

Suffolk County Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins delivered the opening remarks at a recent Boston College symposium about Race, Sports and Politics. The event gathered civic leaders, scholars, athletes, and students to reflect on Boston's complicated relationship with race and sports. As a Boston College alum and public servant, Sheriff Tompkins offered a unique perspective rooted in both personal experience and professional insight.



“And, while I am no expert on race relations nor am I a certified historian, I have the lived experience of having had to navigate life as a child growing up in the mid-Sixties wearing this skin,” he shared, grounding his remarks in the reality of racial inequality and personal resilience. Sheriff Tompkins spoke candidly about the legacy of systemic racism in both the criminal justice system and professional sports, drawing connections between the past and present. He highlighted Boston's paradox — home to historic sports milestones in racial progress, yet often slow to reflect those values in broader society. From the Celtics drafting Chuck Cooper and elevating Bill Russell to head coach, to the Red Sox's delayed integration and the advocacy work of today's athletes like Jaylen Brown and the McCourtly twins, Tompkins painted a vivid picture of how Boston's sports legacy both mirrors and challenges its racial history. In closing, he urged continued engagement and activism: “It is my hope that we continue speaking out from every corner of this country, from every profession and practice as we face today's challenges.”



SCSD OFFICERS HONORED FOR HEROISM BY REVERE CITY COUNCILOR



On February 27, 2025, Lieutenant Jarrod Trovato of the Revere Police Department's Special Investigations Unit, along with Captain Keith Medeiros, Lieutenant Andrew Coyne, and Sergeant Ryan Clark—members of the North Metro SWAT Team—were honored with City Citations by Revere City Councilor Michele Kelly. The citations recognize their outstanding work in a series of high-risk operations that led to the successful takedown of three major drug houses in the City of Revere. These investigations stemmed from ongoing community complaints and posed significant threats that required immense precision and search warrant arrest execution.

Thanks to their coordinated efforts and invaluable contribution to the Revere PD-SIU and the North Metro SWAT Team, these cases resulted in the seizure of narcotics, firearms, and cash that posed a regular threat to the citizens of Revere. The professionalism, bravery, and dedication demonstrated by our SCSD officers regularly play a crucial role in dismantling dangerous operations. As such, our Department proudly recognizes these officers for their exemplary service in keeping Suffolk safe.

THE INTERSECTION

WITH SUFFOLK COUNTY SHERIFF STEVEN W. TOMPKINS



Breakfast for Brothers: How Breaking Bread Can Build Belonging

"The way to a man's heart is through his stomach."

It's a phrase often iterated playfully, but for a group of committed community leaders in Boston, it has become the gateway to generational healing. With the relaunch of Breakfast for Brothers on Saturday, May 10th, from 8:00 to 9:30 AM at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center, this monthly morning gathering, which happens on the second Saturday of each month, aims to do more than break bread—it seeks to restore connection, dignity, and mentorship, combating the stoic archetype of traditional masculinity that has left streets fractured.

A hunger for guidance transcends metaphor. In my years working as the Sheriff of Suffolk County, I regularly encounter youth in our justice system who remind me of what the examples of brotherhood can manifest in the trajectory of a young man's life. Breakfast for Brothers is not a luxury—it is a vital piece of the public safety puzzle.

At its core, Breakfast for Brothers, which began in 2010 as a space—deliberately non-institutional, deliberately human—where brothers, particularly Black and Brown men, can extend themselves and impart wisdom to youth in search of belonging. It is also, as its name implies, disarmingly simple. Attendees sit around tables with hot food and open hearts. They talk. They listen. They share burdens. They witness one another.

The program is designed with intentional layers. Each gathering begins with a hot, culturally relevant meal, followed by reflective conversations around wellness, identity, fatherhood, and legacy.

For John Matthew Borders IV, one of the program's co-founders, the magic lies in that simplicity.

"Some guys love the idea of mentorship, but may not have had the capacity to commit to mentoring one-on-one," says Borders. "The thought

was, 'How can we come together, create something a little less cumbersome?'"

The demand for such a space is urgent and persistent. Experts continue to underscore a quiet epidemic of male loneliness, exacerbated by the decline of interpersonal connection in the digital age, generational trauma, structural inequities, and the emotional isolation that often comes with navigating life as a person of color in America. A study from NYU's



Applied Psychology Department revealed that individuals who lack fulfillment of physiological and safety needs often turn to gang membership to meet unmet desires for security and fraternity, highlighting the urgency of positive alternatives to negative coping mechanisms.

Breakfast for Brothers meets the crises of food insecurity and male companionship droughts not as charity, but as community—a space where men can access every layer of Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs, from the most basic promises of nourishment and safety to the profound building blocks for healthy esteem and potential for self-actualization.

Michael Scott, a consistent presence in the program, speaks to this directly: "This is actually a very ancient practice—people getting together and providing for their community. All of the men are a big part of preserving culture... So while [mentorship] is a big weight on your shoulders, this is a community weight; something that we have historically done together and will continue to do together."

This group-shouldered effort of

collective childrearing reform is supported by Janelle Ridley, Director of Programs and Community Engagement for Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center, who works to facilitate a sustained network of care—a lattice of support to help combat the school-to-prison pipeline. Ridley, who brings years of experience from both child welfare and education systems, is frank about the structural challenges. "Generational curses are real. Generational cycles of discord, division, and dysfunction are real," she says. "If the school does not start affirming from a young age the identity of young people... we're going to continue to have these situations."

That network she helps cultivate is expansive. Breakfast for Brothers partners with the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, MAMLEO, Greater Boston Association of Black Social Workers, BMA-10Point and Roxbury Community College. The program is free and open to all, with a special focus on father-son and brother pairs—echoing the intergenerational repair it hopes to foster. Over the next year, this 12-month pilot will offer consistent opportunities for bonding.

In affirming New Jersey Senator Cory Booker's alternative to the school-to-prison pipeline with cradle-to-career advocacy, I asked the Breakfast for Brothers team how they make strides towards actionable change. Their response: "One kid at a time. One relationship at a time. It's a hyper-focus on, 'We don't need to impact the entire nation. We don't need to impact the entire state. We don't need to impact every neighborhood. We need to impact the people at this table right now.'"

This is what Breakfast for Brothers offers. Not a miracle. Not a panacea. But a beginning. A safe place. A full plate. A listening ear. And the kind of brotherhood that just might help a young man step into his power—before it's too late.

CHOICE PROGRAM OFFICER TRAINING



Another round of Choice Officers has joined the program! Back in March, twenty-one selected Suffolk County House of Correction and Jail officers completed a comprehensive three-day training at the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department Correction Officer Training Center, earning their certification as the newest class of Choice Program Officers. These Choice-ready officers are set to begin Suffolk County public school visitations, bringing with them age-specific lessons on public safety, personal responsibility, digital literacy, emergency planning, and the like — topics increasingly critical to the well-being of today's youth.

Conducted at our Chelsea Training Facility, the three-day robust Choice Program training curriculum addressed themes of bullying, peer pressure, substance use, Criminal Offender Record Information (C.O.R.I.) consequences, sexting, signs of sexual harassment and grooming, internet safety, gun violence, active shooter emergency protocol, and more. Such lessons were enhanced by the dynamic presentations from seasoned guest speakers, who included in-depth instruction on public speaking delivery, youth engagement techniques, and strategies for inspiring meaningful dialogue.

Among those speakers were Sgt.

Detective Janine Busby and Officer Alexander Reyes from the Boston Police Department's School Engagement Unit, who brought their deep knowledge of student mentorship to the training. Courtney Grey, Director of Disaster Behavioral Health at the Boston Public Health Commission, kicked off the guest presentations with a moving talk on trauma and community violence. Jacquelyn Lamont, of the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office Children's



Advocacy Center, spoke candidly about the digital realities today's youth face, offering insights into screen addiction and internet safety using the StopBlockTalk program guidelines. From our own Training Division, Lieutenant Nicholas Lopriore prepared our officers to share gun safety and emergency response information in the event of an active shooting on campus.

As in past years, the Choice Program Officer Training was led by the ex-

pert tutelage of ADS Jessica Cabrera-Edwards and Captain Deniqua Lopes. Together, they conducted a mock five-minute presentation test in which our officers were randomly assigned an age group and topic to present the freshly learned materials in front of a jury of peers. The class collaborated on ways to improve their manner of delivery, preparing them for the journey ahead. Speaking about her role in facilitating this training trial run, ADS Cabrera-Edwards shared: "These officers are stepping into classrooms not just as law enforcement, but as mentors, role models, and sources of guidance."

Inspiring the next generation to become future leaders is no easy feat. That's why it's essential to foster trust between us servants of public safety and the younger community we are guiding. Through the Choice Program, our Department can do its small part in providing pathways for a more fulfilling life. We wish our new Choice Officers the best of luck as they expand their reach into the classroom!

If you know of an Elementary School, Middle School, High School, or local youth program that may benefit from receiving the Choice Program curriculum for the 2025-26, get in touch with the External Affairs Division.



SCSD WELCOMES 25 NEW OFFICERS AT COTA 25-01 CLASS GRADUATION CEREMONY

On May 2nd, twenty-five officer candidates were officially sworn in as officers of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department at Casa Lucia. This significant ceremony marked the conclusion of their rigorous twelve-week journey through our Correction Officer Training Academy (COTA) as Class 25-01. There, graduates built physical resilience and mental readiness while also fostering ethics and commitment to public service. Throughout the program, officers immersed themselves in a broad curriculum that included State Ethics Laws, Inmate Rights and Responsibilities, Emergency Plans, Gang Awareness, Hostage Situations, and many more. Physical preparedness was also a significant focus, with weekly morning physical training, defensive tactics, CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation), and use of force training integrated into the program.

The graduation ceremony was a meaningful moment for officers to share with their loved ones and celebrate personal triumphs and a commitment to serving our population.

"These are important jobs that help

people stabilize their lives... our mission is to facilitate and assist individuals, enabling them to return to their families and communities stronger than when they arrived," shared Sheriff Steven W. Tompkins.



Recognition was also given to standout performers of the COTA 25-01 Class. Thierno Diallo received the Drill Instructor Award and the Defensive Tactics Award, Shannon Curran earned the Academic Award, Ryan Green was honored with the Physical Training Award, and Marisa Hardy received the Unit Citation Award. These individuals exemplified excellence, leadership, and dedication throughout their training period.

Reflecting on their journey, the class president shared, "As a team, we came together towards the end, and it was absolutely beautiful to watch. We demonstrated fairness,

firmness, and consistency—values essential in our role of care, custody and control."

Our COTA 25-01 class was split between both Department facilities as follows: At the Suffolk County House of Correction: Clifford Altidor, Zanterius Broadus, Jean Charlestin, William Cooper, Cleef Cornelly, Shannon Curran (assigned to the Sheriff's Investigative Division), Thierno Diallo, Ernest Dudley, Thierry Germain, Lucas Goncalves, Ryan Green, Marisa Hardy, Renaldo John-Lewis, Stevens Laguerre, Joshua Lamontagne, Tuan Pham, Eva Pruitt-Dahl, Jaleel Ryan, Mathew Tang, and Shannon Winslow will begin their service. Officers Lee Maleek, Trainor Devon, McCoy Lovena, Simms Gaylord, and Princeton Denis have been assigned to the Suffolk County Jail.

Sheriff Tompkins and the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department proudly welcome the COTA 25-01 graduates. As they begin their service, we look forward to their positive impact in our facilities and communities, carrying forward a mission rooted in care, custody, and control.

SCSD CELEBRATES NATIONAL CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES WEEK

A WEEK OF GRATITUDE AND CELEBRATION

Each year in May, National Correctional Officers and Employees Week give us the opportunity to pause, reflect, and celebrate the exceptional work of the staff who keep our facilities secure, running smoothly, and our population safe. From the House of Correction to the Suffolk County Jail and the Training Academy, every single employee, custody and non-custody alike, is an essential contributor to our Department.

Since President Ronald Reagan first proclaimed this national week of recognition in 1984, it has served as a time for appreciation and unity within Law Enforcement, and at the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, we also use this time to say something simple but powerful: "thank you." We are honored to have you in our Department.

From May 5th to May 9th, we celebrated with a week full of meaningful moments and enjoyment. We began with our annual Wreath Laying Ceremonies at the House of Correction and the Suffolk County Jail, paying tribute to those who served courageously and are no longer with us. Their legacy lives on in every shift, every act of care, and every moment of dedication shown by our current team.

The week continued with wellness and informative tabling events featuring Hubbard Preston Insurance, AT&T, Jet Boston, and Shea Butter, offering helpful resources and giveaways. Our officers also enjoyed the excitement of our credit day raffle—congratulations to winners Yoo Feng, John Rizzo Williams, Michael Keenan, Thiana Thomas, Nicole Muldowney, Michael Brennan, Neil McGonagle, and Paul Green! Exemplary and hard-working officers, including Lt. Ryan Cleary, Officer Erin Donoghue, and Kevin Broderick, were also given sweet-filled baskets. We also recognized our Officers of the Year: Officer Mackendly Paul, Sgt. Barbara Conway and Sgt. Ronald Bernard for their outstanding service and dedication. Their leadership inspires us all.

And of course, it wouldn't be celebration week without great food! We served breakfasts, catered lunches, snacks, and cakes throughout the week and wrapped it all up with our popular cookout at Suffolk County Jail. It was a chance to relax, reconnect, and enjoy a fresh meal among friends and colleagues.

This year's appreciation week was unique and special, and we THANK YOU for your resilience, hard work, and everyday commitment to excellence. We hope that this week, and all of its special moments, helped to show you just how valued you are.



SCSD'S PROMOTIONS (CAPTAINS):



Captain Sean Clark



Captain Keith Medeiros



Captain Sharon Corbin



Captain Lester Licona

Captain Sean Clark

Captain Sean Clark's three-decade journey within the Department has been shaped by hard work, adaptability, and a deep appreciation for mentorship. Starting as a Correction Officer in 1994, Clark worked a range of shifts before stepping into leadership roles, serving as Sergeant in 2020 and Lieutenant in 2021. For 14 years, he was a core figure in the Department's Training Division, where he taught defensive tactics, CPR, firearms safety, and mental health courses to incoming recruits and non-custody staff alike. His influence helped shape the Department's future generations of officers, and his time with the Common Ground Institute (CGI) allowed him to pass along hands-on construction skills like framing, roofing, and electrical work to residents working toward rehabilitation. "It's been rewarding knowing that it's going to help inmates with their mental health and reduce recidivism," Clark reflected, drawing from both his professional experience and 25 years as a general contractor.

Now serving as Captain over Building 6 (Booking) and the Infirmary at the House of Correction, Clark brings both wisdom and humility to his new role. He views the promotion not as a destination, but a fresh opportunity to lead by example and shape the culture of the Department. "It's my job to help mold the next captain, lieutenant, and sergeant to make the Department more viable," Clark explains. Inspired by his mentors, Captain Clark embodies a leadership style that balances compassion with accountability. For him, success is built on character, not just position — a principle he has lived by throughout his career. As he steps into this new chapter, Captain Clark remains focused on growth and building a Department that continues to evolve with purpose and integrity.

Captain Keith Medeiros

Since beginning his career with the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department in 1996, Captain Keith Medeiros has built a reputation as a deeply committed and skilled leader. Over nearly three decades, he has held a wide range of leadership roles—from Corporal and Lieutenant to Director of Training and now Captain as of February 2025. Much of his career has been shaped by

high-level tactical work, including nearly two decades with the Sheriff's Emergency Response Team and leadership roles with the North Metro SWAT Team. He currently serves as both a Task Force Officer with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and a tactical commander, focusing on the most violent crimes in the Boston area. One of his proudest career moments includes a multi-year RICO case that dismantled a major gang responsible for serious crimes, earning national recognition.

While his operational resume is impressive, Captain Medeiros places equal importance on mentorship and collaboration. Early experience in the Training Division instilled in him the value of investing in others—a philosophy he continues to uphold. "I became very good at my job because someone taught me," he reflects. "It's my responsibility to give back." Known as a "boots on the ground" leader, he's driven by a sense of duty, pride in his department, and a desire to build a nucleus of officers who genuinely care. For him, this promotion is not just a professional milestone but a personal affirmation: "Everybody has a part of who I am today; this department makes up who I am. I don't take that for granted."

Captain Sharon Corbin

Captain Sharon Corbin has centered her career in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department through empathy and a commitment to service. Inspired by a childhood friend in July 1996, she found herself growing within the ranks of the Sheriff's Department, eventually being promoted to Captain in January 2025. Her leadership style was shaped early on through her work in the Medical Unit, where she collaborated across divisions to support individuals dealing with mental health and substance use challenges. She's held key leadership roles, including Sergeant in 2015 and Lieutenant in 2019, navigating personal and professional growth along the way. Known for her hands-on, team-based approach, Captain Corbin emphasizes listening, collaboration, and treating people with dignity, whether among her team or within the incarcerated population.

Now serving in a more administrative

capacity, she ensures that the facility operates smoothly while maintaining services and care for those in custody, especially in challenging conditions. A certified member of the Employee Assistance Program, she supports colleagues facing personal or work-related challenges—offering resources, encouragement, and a listening ear. Captain Corbin's involvement with EAP, including training in de-escalation, mental health first aid, and public speaking, reinforces her dual commitment to professional excellence and personal care. She encourages up-and-coming officers to embrace every opportunity, not take setbacks personally, and continue evolving. "Why stop?" she reflects. "Keep climbing—it keeps your career interesting." Her hope is to leave behind a workplace culture stronger than the one she inherited, centered around compassion, resilience, and mutual respect.

Captain Lester Licona

Having served the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department for over twenty-three years, Captain Lester Licona's promotion in February 2025 is a testament to his deep commitment to discipline and resiliency. A Marine Corps veteran, he began his journey as a Correctional Officer in 2002, rising through the ranks to Sergeant, Lieutenant, and now Captain. In his current role as assistant shift commander at the House of Correction, he oversees the safety and operations of the entire institution, all while balancing the needs of every officer's unique schedule. "It's a heavy load to carry," he says, "but I've always had that drive in me and I never wanted to quit."

Captain Licona's leadership style is shaped by the lessons learned from peers throughout his career, giving this advice to new recruits who hope one day to advance in their personal and career endeavors: "Always act a level above where you are now." As he navigates new challenges, like increased administrative duties and a tech-forward workflow, he remains grounded in his core values and grateful for the support system that helps him maintain motivation. "I took pieces from everybody—good and bad," he reflects. "When it comes time to retire, I want to leave it better than what I got."



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SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL



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JOY EZIKE**
SUFFOLK COUNTY HOUSE
OF CORRECTION

APRIL-MAY 2025

As is tradition and as our readers know, we take pride in recognizing the outstanding efforts of the men and women who serve in all ranks across our facilities. These individuals work tirelessly to protect our resident population and fellow staff members, ensuring daily safety and security. Therefore, we proudly highlight the Officers of the Month for April and May.

In April, the House of Correction applauded the heroic actions of Lieutenant Khalid Riley, Sergeant Steven Boyce, Officer William Hickey, Officer Gary Enos, and Officer Djosir Dor, as on March 6th, they took turns performing CPR on an unresponsive inmate, ultimately bringing him back to life. Superintendent Lally described their actions as “life-saving” and “heroic,” an exemplary commitment to public safety.

Lieutenant Khalid, who has been with the Department for over twelve years, feels appreciated for being recognized as Officer of the month. He shared, “I am extremely honored to receive this recognition. It is a result of all the hard work and dedication of the officers I work with daily.”

Officer Djosir Dor’s two-year journey within the Department makes him feel proud to get recognized, stating, “This recognition means what I’m doing is good and that I’m making a change here.”

Officer William Hickey, who started back

in 2014, shared thoughts about being recognized as Officer of the month three times: “This is my third time being Officer of the month, and it means a lot to be recognized by my peers.”

Officer Gary Enos, who’s been with us since 2015, feels honored and appreciated by this recognition, sharing, “I appreciate getting the recognition for the job I do, although I’m just doing what anyone else in my position would have done.”

At the Suffolk County Jail, Officer Hayden Rayne, who has been with the Department for over a year, was selected as April’s Officer of the Month after quickly identifying and reporting paraphernalia in a detainee’s cell. Known for her sharp observation skills, initiative, and performance across SERT, MAT, and Central Control, Officer Rayne continues to exceed expectations.

“I’ve learn a lot during the past year, so being recognized as the officer of the month is an honor, it’s a motivation to keep growing and doing the best I can.” Stated Rayne.

In May, the House of Correction honored Officer Joy Ezike, whose sharp awareness and decisive action led to the discovery and removal of dangerous contraband. Superintendent Lally highlighted her vigilance and professionalism since 2023, noting, “Her commitment to maintaining

order and upholding the highest standards of correctional service reflects great credit upon herself and the Department.”

“I am very thrilled. I appreciate all the support from the sergeants, captains, and lieutenants, as well as my fellow officers. It’s been very exciting,” shared Ezike.

At the Jail, Officer Amanual Abate, who started his career with the Department one year ago, earned Officer of the Month for May for his consistent support of peers. Admired for his kindness and proactive spirit, Officer Abate’s leadership and positive outlook embody the Department’s mission. As Assistant Superintendent Leteya Flambo shared, “He possesses strong leadership skills with a positive attitude and outlook on the Department’s goals.”

“Being recognized and appreciated for our job feels nice. I feel grateful,” commented Officer Abate.

Hats off to Officer Rayne, Lieutenant Riley, Sergeant Boyce, Officer Hickey, Officer Enos, Officer Dor, Officer Abate, and Officer Ezike for their well-deserved recognition.

Don’t forget to nominate your fellow officers for June’s Officer of the Month!

AROUND SUFFOLK COUNTY

SCSD Takes Part In Village Vibes:

For the past few months, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department has participated in the City of Boston's Village Vibes events, supporting the City's "Summer Safety Plan." On April 22, we gathered at Town Field in Dorchester with the Boston Police Department, and other City agencies, and departments with the same purpose and objective: to keep the community informed and abreast of what's happening in the neighborhood and the city. Our custodial and non-custodial personnel shared information about the youth programs and services we offer to Suffolk County communities.



The next Village Vibe will be held on May 28 at Edwards Playground in Charlestown, from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. If you are interested in participating and joining us there, please visit this link for more information: www.boston.gov/departments/community-safety/village-vibes

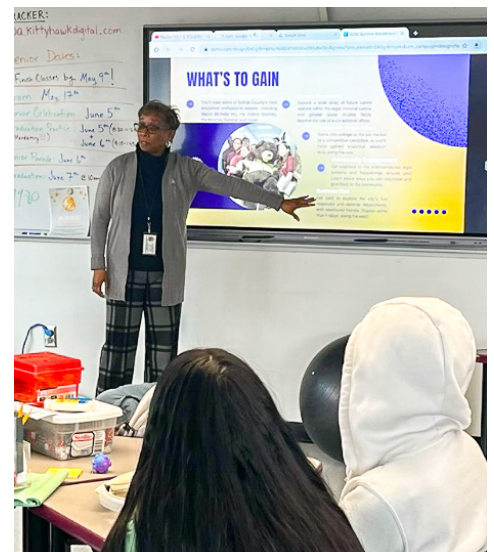


Chelsea High Career Fair Draws Future Leaders to Law Enforcement:

Back in April, the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department made a proud return to Chelsea High School for their annual Spring College & Career Fair. Our team met up with friends from the Chelsea Police Department to spark conversations with students about careers in law enforcement and public safety. The day was a success on all fronts. We not only shared the vital role of the Sheriff's Department but also secured dozens of final sign-ups for our 2025 Summer Enrichment Program. Chelsea's students showed up with curiosity and drive, and we can't wait to see some of them in uniform this summer!

Summer Enrichment Program Recruitment Goes to Chelsea:

The Suffolk County Sheriff's Department visited Chelsea High School to introduce students to the exciting opportunity to apply for our paid internship, the Summer Enrichment Program (SEP), which is designed for rising high school juniors and seniors interested in careers in criminal justice and law enforcement. During the presentation, students learned about the program's immersive experience, which includes field trips to local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies and direct engagement with professionals across various organizations involved in the criminal legal system, academia, and law enforcement. The SEP offers hands-on experience, and fosters mentorship and career development through networking and real-world learning. To learn more about SEP, visit: www.scsdma.org.



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